

TO BREAK UP TOBACCO TRUST

GOVERNMENT ASKS FOR DECREE THAT WILL EFFECT IT

It Charges the Company With Violating the Law for Many Years, With Deceitful Competition, Obstructing Commerce and Aiming Monopolies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—In a brief of 260 printed pages Attorney-General Wickersham and his special assistant, J. C. McReynolds, today disclosed the line of attack which will be made on the American Tobacco Company when the case against it under the anti-trust law comes up for argument on appeal in the United States Supreme Court on Monday.

The case came to the Supreme Court on appeal from the southern district of New York. It is one of the most notable of the anti-trust cases begun under the Roosevelt Administration, and much of the labor of the preparation for the trial in New York City, as well as for the argument to the Supreme Court, has been devoted to the case.

The original petition was filed on July 10, 1907, in the United States Circuit Court for the southern district of New York. A vast amount of testimony was taken by a special examiner and the case was argued in May, 1908, before four judges. The opinion was handed down on November 7, 1908, three judges concurring and one dissenting. A final decree was entered on December 15, 1908, enjoining certain corporate defendants, but dismissing the petition as to others. Cross-appeals were taken, errors assigned, and the record filed in the Supreme Court of the United States on December 23, 1908. On motion of the Attorney-General the case was advanced and will be heard next week.

The petition names as defendants the American Tobacco Company, its officers, directors, and sixty affiliated corporations in different States, and the British-American company and the Imperial company, which are English corporations.

The petition alleges that the American Tobacco Company, through stock ownership, controls all the corporations named as defendants except the Imperial company and that it is a large stockholder in that, and selects a majority of its directors. It is alleged that since 1902 commerce in tobacco throughout the world has been monopolized by written agreement between the two combinations and that the British-American company was organized under an express agreement to carry on business beyond the United States and England which had previously been conducted by the two combinations in competition with each other.

If the allegations in the Government's brief are maintained they will show that the American Tobacco Company is one of the worst forms of trust extant. The brief charges that in pursuance of its purpose the combination has "practised unfair trade methods and exercised duress."

The charge is made that through the American Snuff Company, one of its affiliated concerns, the trust controls 85 per cent. of the production of the United States; that through the United States Cigar Company, another of its affiliated concerns, it controls 100 per cent. of the retail trade of the United States, and that in order to secure a practical monopoly it bought out dealers and forced out others and that it is "too powerful for any ordinary competitor to withstand."

The charge is made that the trust, through its various subsidiaries, has acquired most of the leading brands of manufactured tobacco and absolutely controls their distribution throughout the country, who report to a central office, which is kept at the headquarters of the trust, the sales of its products. Ten million dollars was expended in advertising and distributing free goods by the trust in 1908.

Through contracts many owners and managers of successful concerns have been retired from the trade and possible competition from them destroyed," says the brief. "The defendants have been able to monopolize the trade and obtain high and unfair profits and use their great power in oppressive ways, and they have been enabled by the purpose to destroy competition and obtain monopoly. Competitors have gradually disappeared and the combination, now strongly entrenched, unduly restricts the business of the country and prevents others from entering."

The Government's brief in answer to the defense made by one or more of the defendant corporations states that the State by legislation "cannot directly obstruct commerce and it cannot so employ a corporation."

The decision of the Supreme Court in the Debs conspiracy case is cited, in which it was held that the Constitution "imposes on the Government a duty to keep the avenues of commerce free."

In their argument the Attorney-General and his associates have asserted that the court may in the future put on the limitations of the Sherman anti-trust law.

"No attempt will be made to point out the exact bounds of the anti-trust statutes, but we will undertake to show that the report reveals gross violations of them within the terms of the act, and that with repeated decisions of this court, and indeed within any interpretation ever announced by a member of this court, the defendants have been able to monopolize the trade and obtain high and unfair profits and use their great power in oppressive ways, and they have been enabled by the purpose to destroy competition and obtain monopoly. Competitors have gradually disappeared and the combination, now strongly entrenched, unduly restricts the business of the country and prevents others from entering."

Again, the Government contends in its brief that a liberal construction of the anti-trust laws, "The anti-trust laws must be reasonably construed with a view to practical enforcement and not to defeat the purpose leading to their enactment," it is declared.

One suggestion in the Government's brief has aroused much interest as indicating the attitude of the Department of Justice toward combinations in restraint of trade. Government's counsel say they "do not insist that every combination or agreement in restraint of trade is an unlawful one. The statute was intended to foster, not to destroy, business. It was intended to be a promoter of the public welfare."

Referring to the defense made by the British corporation as a defendant that it is not subject to the anti-trust

LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES

GOVERNMENT COMPLAINED OF

THE GOVERNMENT'S BRIEF STATES THAT THE AMERICAN TOBACCO COMPANY HAS NO RIGHT TO VIOLATE THE POLICIES OR LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES, AND THAT AN AGREEMENT THAT IS UNLAWFUL, THOUGH ENTERED INTO BY THE COMPANY, GIVES NO IMMUNITY TO PARTIES ACTING IN THE UNITED STATES IN PURSUANCE OF IT.

The petition filed by the Government states that the American Tobacco Company, through stock ownership, controls all the corporations named as defendants except the Imperial company and that it is a large stockholder in that, and selects a majority of its directors. It is alleged that since 1902 commerce in tobacco throughout the world has been monopolized by written agreement between the two combinations and that the British-American company was organized under an express agreement to carry on business beyond the United States and England which had previously been conducted by the two combinations in competition with each other.

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TACT TO DELIVER AN ADDRESS.

Programme for Joint Conference of Governors and Civic Federation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The joint convention of the National Civic Federation and the conference of Governors which is to be held in Washington in January will be the biggest thing of its kind ever attempted. At the suggestion of President Taft the federation and the Governors' conference arranged their dates to cover the same period. Seth Low, president of the federation; Alton B. Parker, chairman of the committee on programmes, and R. M. Easley, chairman of the executive committee, are now cooperating with Govs. Hughes of New York, Fort of New Jersey and Weeks of Connecticut on the arrangements for the joint session of the two bodies.

The gathering promises to be unique with respect to the number of commercial, agricultural, manufacturing, labor, financial and other bodies and individuals in character, who will be present, and also as to the number of distinguished men of all walks of life who will be in attendance. Also the National Association of Uniformed Services of the Americas is included in all State delegations and will take an active part in the conference.

The delegations named by the Governors are composed of representatives from all portions of their respective States. Many members of the Senate and the House are delegates, as are Speakers of State Legislatures, former Governors and Attorney-Generals.

President Taft is greatly interested in the efforts of the federation to secure uniform laws in the various States and shares the optimistic views held by many that the joint conference of the Governors and the federation will be productive of important results. The programme, which will be considered during the sessions of the two bodies, lasting from January 17 to 20, are the conservation of natural resources, the regulation of interstate commerce, the regulation of public utilities, control of corporations, life insurance, fire insurance, automobile regulations, road regulations, the statistics, public health, safeguarding dangerous machinery, factory and mine inspection, compensation for accidents, convict made products, pure food regulations, discriminations against married women, the control of their children and holding of property.

President Taft will deliver the opening address, the federation on Monday, January 17, and to the Governors the following day.

**TWO COLLISIONS OF WARSHIPS.**

Both Due to Misinterpretation of Signals Which Have Since Been Modified.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Assistant Secretary of the Navy Winthrop has approved the report of the court of inquiry which investigated the collision between the battleships Georgia and Nebraska on the Southern drill grounds off the Virginia capes on December 9. According to the report the collision was due to a misinterpretation of signals during a difficult manoeuvre. The signals for the manoeuvre were ambiguous and since then have been modified to prevent future misunderstanding. There will be no disciplinary action, as no negligence on the part of any of the officers of either vessel was found.

A report has been received by the Navy Department of an investigation into the recent collision in Hampton Roads in which the battleships Oregon and Indiana collided. The report states that the collision was due to a misinterpretation of signals during a difficult manoeuvre. The signals for the manoeuvre were ambiguous and since then have been modified to prevent future misunderstanding. There will be no disciplinary action, as no negligence on the part of any of the officers of either vessel was found.

**MISSING GIRL IN GERMANY.**

Man Accused of Abducting Her Held for the Grand Jury.

The cablegram received from Folke Sunblad on Wednesday that Elfrida Littlebach, the missing fifteen-year-old Hoboken girl, had "safely arrived" in Hamburg, that "everything is all right" was confirmed yesterday by a message from the girl's uncle, who lives near Hamburg, that Elfrida is with him.

Recorder John J. McGovern of Hoboken, familiarly known as Joe, listened all the forenoon yesterday to the examination of witnesses in the case against William Boehmcke, the old man whom Fritz Littlebach, the girl's stepfather, had accused of abduction and seduction. Fritz Boehmcke, the bartender, and Edward Richter, the lunchman, repeated their original story that Boehmcke gave them money with which to buy steamship tickets to Germany for themselves and the girl.

Assistant Prosecutor of the Pleas George J. Fokers of Hudson county conducted the examination on both sides and incidentally acted as German interpreter with the consent of John J. Fallon, counsel for the defense.

Fallon claimed that Littlebach was the victim of "an absolute conspiracy of blackmailing of the worst kind."

The recorder held Boehmcke in \$2,500 bail for the examination on both sides and dismissed the complaints of aiding and abetting against Boehmcke and Richter. Both young men were held as witnesses for the State in default of \$2,500 bail each.

Mrs. Littlebach said she would go to Germany in a day or two to bring her daughter home.

THE GRAIN MARKETS.

Wheat Higher—Bullish Argentine News—Cables Strong—Receipts Larger—Corn and Oats Decline, Then Rally.

Wheat advanced, dominated mainly by bullish Argentine news and strong European cables. Not only was the weather in Argentina unfavorable for harvesting but two small estimates of the exportable surplus of that country were received by prominent houses in the trade. One put the amount available for shipment next year at only 72,000,000 bushels and the other made it only 80,000,000 bushels. These bullish figures caused rather active buying at times for both sides of the account. December here ran up 3 cents. A sharp advance was reported in prices at Buenos Ayres. Liverpool moved up 1 to 1 1/2. Budapest 3/4, Berlin 3/4, and Paris 3/4. Further north the market in this country was firm, and bulls in some instances expect to witness a decrease in the receipts as soon as the wheat is harvested, which will be helped up by the switchmen's strike and by bad weather has been forwarded to its destination. The market in this country is short of supplies or anything like it. But it is not probable that there will be a considerable glut of wheat in the country. The tendency to hold for higher prices is not likely to be applied to the country. Armour, Shearson, Warren, Ware, Knight and at one time Barrell were reported to have bought freely at the West.

At times recessions occurred under liquidation, but the market was sold July against it. The receipts were again largely in excess of those of a year ago. The total primary arrivals were 31,458 bushels, against 326,841 last year. The Argentine shipments for the week were estimated at 400,000 bushels, against 380,000 last week and 330,000 a year. The Russian arrivals were meagre. Snow protection for the new crop in that country is said to be better than last year. The price current said: "The winter wheat appears to be amply protected by snow and is regarded as in good condition, though the low temperatures in a few localities have done some damage to the crop. The snow, however, has not yet been so deep as to be regarded as indicating that the crop will be benefited by further snow. The top growth by furnishing protection against further freezing and moisture later on. The stock at Minneapolis has increased 175,000 bushels in five days. In that market 30,000 bushels were delivered. 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